

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-24 are pending. Claim 20 has been amended. Paragraphs [0025] and [0027] have been amended. No new matter has been added.

Allowed Claims

The applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1 and 3-19 are allowed.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 20-24 stand rejected under Section 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

As for claims 20-23, the Examiner asserts that the claimed computer system “only includes a memory for storing a first list … and a second list The computer system does not do anything.” In response, the applicants have amended claim 20 to further recite that the computer system comprises:

a processor on which is executing a full-text indexing and search engine that generates the first list and the second list and that accesses the first list and the second list to check the consistency of executable software components used to build the full-text index and components used to query the full-text index.

Reconsideration of the Section 101 rejection of claims 20-23 is respectfully requested in light of this amendment.

As for claim 24, the rejection is based on the description of a “computer readable storage medium” in the specification. In particular, the Examiner asserts that the description could be read to include “communication media and/or carrier waves.” The Examiner suggests that the applicants delete from the specification ‘, or any other medium which can be used to store the desired information and which can be accessed by computer 110’ in paragraph 25, lines 23-24, page 5, and paragraph 27 ‘or other optical media’ (14), and ‘, and the like’ (line 17).’ The applicants note that part of the text in paragraph 25 was deleted in the last amendment and response. In this response, the applicants have deleted all of the remaining objectionable text in paragraph 25 as well as all of the suggested deleted text in

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paragraph 27. These amendments should overcome the rejection of claim 24. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

For all the foregoing reasons, and because there do not appear to be any other remaining issues, the applicants respectfully submit that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

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